

comprises an organic solvent [therein is] content below 10 %[, preferably below 5%, more preferred below 1%] (weight/weight).

4. (Amended) [A composition, according to any one of the preceding claims, characterised in that the content of] The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition comprises a MAS [therein is] content below 50%[, preferably below 20%, more preferred below 10%, most preferred below 5%] (weight/weight).

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5. (Amended) [A composition, according to any one of the preceding claims, characterised in that the] The composition of claim 1, wherein MAS is selected from the group comprising 4,4-dimethyl-5 α -cholesta-8,14,24-triene-3 β -ol; 4,4-dimethyl-5 -cholest-8,14,24-trien-3 -ol hemisuccinate; 5 -cholest-8,14dien-3 -ol; 5 -cholest-8,14-dien β -ol hemisuccinate; (20S)-cholest-5-en-3 ,20-diol; 3 -hydroxy-4,4-dimethylcholesta-8,14-dien-24-oic acid-N-(methionine) amide; and cholest-5-en-16 -ol.

6. (Amended) [A composition, according to any one of the preceding claims, characterised in that] The composition of claim 1, wherein the additive is a protein or a phosperglycid.

7. (Amended) [A composition, according to any one of the preceding claims, characterised in that it can be used for preparing an] An aqueous solution comprising the composition of claim 1 [with the characteristics mentioned in any of the following claims].

8. (Amended) [A composition, according to any one of the preceding claims, characterised in that it can be used for preparing an] The aqueous solution of claim 7, wherein [which when used for the] treatment of oocytes with the aqueous solution results in a percentage germinal vehicle breakdown (GVB) of at least 50%[, preferably at least 80%,] when MAS is FF-MAS.

9. (Amended) [An aqueous solution of MAS, characterised in that] The aqueous solution of claim 7, wherein the content of MAS is at least 0.001 μ g/ml[, preferably at least 0.01 μ g/ml, more preferred at least 0.1 μ g/ml, even more preferred at least 0.5 μ g/ml].

10. (Amended) [An aqueous solution of MAS, according to the preceding claim, characterised in that] The aqueous solution of claim 9, wherein the content of MAS is not more than 0.1 g/ml[, preferably not more than 0.01 g/ml].

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11. (Amended) [An] The aqueous solution [of MAS according to any one of the two preceding claim, characterised in that the content of] of claim 7, comprising an organic solvent content [is] of less than 0.1%[, preferably less than 0.05%, most preferred less than 0.01%].

12. (Amended) A device [having] comprising a hollow containing [a solid product or a solution according to any of the previous claims] the composition of claim 1.

Please add the following new claims:

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14. (New) The composition of claim 2, wherein the water content is below 5%.

15. (New) The composition of claim 14, wherein the water content is below 1%.

16. (New) The composition of claim 3, wherein the organic solvent content is below 5%.

17. (New) The composition of claim 16, wherein the organic solvent content is below 1%.

18. (New) The composition of claim 4, wherein the MAS content is below 20%.

19. (New) The composition of claim 18, wherein the MAS content is below 10%.

20. (New) The composition of claim 19, wherein the MAS content is below 5%.

REMARKS

Claim 13 is cancelled. New claims 14-20 are added. Therefore, claims 1-12 and 14-20 are pending. This amendment is submitted to correct improper multiple dependent